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UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

The Honorable James K. Bredar, Magistrate Judge United States District Court for the District of Maryland 101 W. Lombard Street Baltimore, Maryland 21201

Re: Poston v. Kennedy, et al.

Civil Action No. 1:05-cv-02951 WMN

Our File No. 11087.01

Dear Magistrate Judge Bredar:

In response to Mr. Mehring's letter dated September 28, 7 2006, we object to the Plaintiff not personally attending the Settlement Conference. We also object to a postponement as our client, the representative for American Family Insurance Company, has already made travel arrangements from Illinois to attend the conference as scheduled as required by the court.

Very truly yours,

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